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 c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: all claims.

Identification of prior art discussed: Ridland, Jackson.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicants have presented a series of experiments comparing the inventive catalysts and those of the prior art. Salient features are the polycondensation time and intrinsic viscosity of the resulting polymer. The data appear sufficiently cogent to support unobviousness with respect to the aluminum carboxylates, aluminum chelates, and aluminum salts of inorganic acid. There remains the issue whether the results are commensurate in scope with the claims; that is, Applicants may submit further support to show that similar unexpected results may be expected for the remaining aluminum species in the instant claims..